

REMARKS

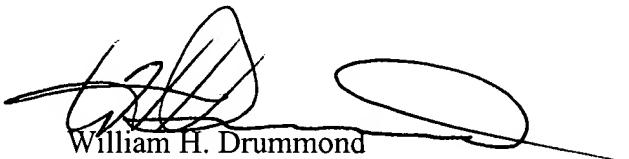
The forgoing Amendment cancels the finally-rejected Claims 7, 8, 10 and 11, rewrites Claims 9 and 12 in independent form and adds new Claims 13 and 14, which are dependent on those rewritten independent claims.

In view of the Examiner's comments in paragraph 6 of the Office Action of January 13, 2003, it is understood that amended Claims 9 and 12 are allowable. Since the new claims depend of these allowable claims, it is urged that they are also allowable.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the Final Rejection and enter a Notice of Allowance in this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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